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correct name), having lived with a divorced woman who was in Barnum & Bailey's Circus at one time. They used to call her the "bare back rider." I then showed him the picture of Anna King and he stated that he is sure that this is the woman who Stumpy Gillin (Gilliland) lived with at the road house. They were both in the circus from 1898 to about 1900 and then Gilliland opened the saloon on French Street and she lived there with him until about 1902. John Higgins does not believe that Gilliland ever married her, but is sure that she was a divorced woman because Gilliland often mentioned that fact to people. Gilliland has a brother named John who lives in New York and who buried Stumpy about 8 years ago when he died in New Brunswick. Mr. Higgins does not think that John would know much about Stumpy as he (Stumpy) ran away from home early and never bothered much with the other brothers. Stumpy's right name was James Gilliland. Higgins stated that he ran a very disorderly place and had women hanging around all the time.

Operative then went to interview May Hickey at 210 Easton Ave. in the evening as it was the only time she could be found at home, as she is employed during the day. Showed her the picture and she stated that she could not remember the woman and that she was never in a bicycle race in her life and that Revolinsky is a liar. She stated that she heard of Stumpy Gillin but did not know him or ever go to his place. She could not furnish further information so I did not spend any more time with her.

Respectfully submitted:

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